(IN '000MTs)

	Rice		Wheat	
	Allotment	Offtake	Allotment	Offtake
1995-96	790.00	365.70	420.00	238.00
1996-97	1012.00	592.90	451.00	419.60
1997-98	715.40	550.84	299.00	207.19

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Orissa State is currently being allotted an additional quantity of 25.500 tonnes of rice and 40,000 tonnes of wheat per month at Central Issue Prices applicable for the families Above Poverty Line (APL) over and above the normal monthly quota under Targeted Public Distribution System.

Tenders for Pulses in Super Bazar

*149. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS be pleased state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Super Bazar is purchasing pulses on fortnightly tender basis;

(b) if so, what are the reasons that tenders on fortnightly basis are not being called these days, but are being delayed;

(c) whether any understanding has been reached between the authorities and the tenderers in this regard; and

(d) if so, whether there is any proposal to order an investigation into the matter and to bring to book the guilty authorities and to order tenders for pulses, immediately?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA): (a) to (c) The Super Bazar has informed that they make purchase of pulses on tender basis. The validity of contract for supply of pulses is initially for a period of 15 days which can be increased or decreased at the discretion of the management. The Super Bazar has further informed that the tenders were being called for at regular intervals. However, in the recent past, 10 varieties of pulses were not included in the tender for a short period as an agreement was made between the suppliers and the Super Bazar for supply of pulses as per the wholesale rates published by the Directorate of Consumer Affairs, Govt. of NCT of Delhi in newspapers. This system has since been discontinued as the Delhi Administration has stopped publishing wholesale rates in the newspapers. Presently, the tenders are floated for all varieties of pulses and orders are placed on the lowest tenderers.

(d) The Super Bazar has informed that no irregularities have been committed in the purchase of pulses.

Appointment of Member Secretary of ICPR

*150. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased state:

(a) the names and addresses of the Chairman/Members/nominated Members of the Governing Body of the Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR);

(b) whether a Member of the Governing Body of the ICPR has been assigned